## Ordinance #387

An ordinance by the City Mayor and Council of the Town of Ashland City, Tennessee to amend Section 18-107(1); adding Section (2)(F)(iv)and (v); and (5); of the Municipal Code regulating the water and sewer rates for the inhabitants of the Town of Ashland City and all areas surrounding the city that receive water and/or sewer service from the Ashland City Water and Sewer Department as well as to add section 18-112.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Ashland City that the following shall apply and be put into effect immediately upon proper passage of this ordinance and shall be billed each and every month of the calendar year, and that said rates are hereby adopted, fixed and established as set forth in the following schedule to wit:

	WATE Inside city	ER RATES Outside city	SEWER RATES ALL
Base charge (minimum fee)	\$8.76	\$16.44	\$8.76
ALL RATES ARE PER 1,000 Gall	ons		
First gallon used to last gallon	\$5.76	\$ 6.58	\$5.76

The water and sewer rates may be adjusted each budgeting cycle to meet the operational requirements including expenses and debt service obligations.

Flat Rate Sewer – Monthly	\$ 8.00
Non-refundable Application Fee - homeowr	ner \$ 50.00
Non-refundable Application Fee – renters	\$100.00
Residential STEP fee – monthly	\$ 9.50
Commercial STEP fee – monthly	10% of combined water and sewer total.
Returned check fee	Amount allowable by State Law
Reconnection Fee inside city	\$ 50.00
Reconnection Fee outside city	\$ 75.00
After Hours Reconnection Fee inside city	\$ 75.00
After Hours Reconnection Fee Outside City	\$100.00

Industrial rates outside of the industrial park sewer system may be charged at the rate listed above but be charged on the number of gallons of sewer versus number of gallons of water if the industrial user installs a dedicated line to the plant with an appropriate manhole for testing of the sewer and approval of the line by the Town of Ashland City.

- (2) (iv) automatic ach withdrawal.
- (2) (v) credit card

(5) <u>Bad Check</u>. When financial institutions return a check or ach withdrawal to the city for insufficient funds or account closed the city will levy a service charge for the amount of check or withdrawal and will require the check to be picked up or the ach withdrawal to be paid by a specified date. Bad check/ach withdrawal service charge is established under this ordinance and the customer may be required to pay the amount by money order, cashier's check or cash, at the discretion of the utility personnel.

And by adding:

18-112. Water and Ser also has a separate Water and Sewer Department Rules and Regulations which may be modified from time to time. These are hereby referenced and incorporated into this ordinance including but not limited to fines and penalties.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED that these changes and additions shall take effect 20 days from and after its final passage, the public welfare requiring it.

1<sup>st</sup> reading 10 - 11 - 11

Public hearing 11-8-11

2<sup>nd</sup> reading 11-8-11

Gary Norwood, Mayor

Phyllis Schaeffer, City Recorder